MOUNT STROMLO HIGH SCHOOL

Festival of the Shoe

Dear Parents and Carers,

The following details relate to a whole-school excursion for the Mount Stromlo High School community for the 2026 Festival of the Shoe. Whole-school excursions benefit the community by encouraging physical activity and a positive school culture, and they offer an opportunity to earn house points. It is also a great way to connect positively with peers while having lots of fun.

Name of Excursion	Festival of the Shoe 2026
Purpose/Information	Whole school Cross Country
Date and time	Tuesday 10 November 2026 – 9:00 am- 3:00 pm *Students to arrive as usual (no later than 8:45 am)
Transport	Chartered Bus
Venue/Location	Stromlo Forest Park, Dave McInnes Road
Activities	A colour run, walk for points and novelty events.
Clothing/Equipment	Students should wear appropriate clothing and running shoes. Students should also wear a hat and sunscreen. Students are advised to bring a change of clothes and a plastic bag for messy clothes if they wish to participate in the colour run.
Food	Students can bring their own food and drinks for recess and lunch, and water bottles can be refilled. A BBQ, cold drinks, and various snacks will be available for purchase.
Teacher in Charge	Jimmy Plowman, Scott Lambert
Contingency	In the event of this festival being cancelled due to bad weather, students will be required to attend school as per their usual timetable. This is a whole school event, so there will be no alternate programs at the school.
Cost	$20.00
Due Date	Friday 6 November 2026 *Notes may not be accepted after this date*
Excursion Risk Assessment	Available at the front office

Staff accompanying students on excursions will take all reasonable care while the students are in their charge to protect them from injury and to control and supervise their behaviour and activities. Parents should be aware that staff members are not responsible for injuries or damage to property which may occur on an excursion where, in all circumstances, staff have not been negligent. Parents should warn children of the risk to themselves, to others and to property, of impulsive, wilful or disobedient behaviour.

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Excursion Permission Note
Festival of the Shoe 2026

I give permission for my child _____ in year _____ to attend the Mount Stromlo High School excursion to Stromlo Forest Park on Tuesday 10 November 2026 travelling by bus and other details as outlined in the Excursion Information for Parents (including contingency plans).

I agree to my child participating in the activities associated with this excursion mentioned previously. I have discussed with my child the need for expected behaviour on this excursion. I authorise the school to make arrangements for the welfare of my child (including medical or surgical treatment) in an emergency, and I agree to meet the associated costs. I have provided to the school all medical information relevant to my child attending this excursion.

I agree that my child will be under the authority of the school for the duration of the excursion and that the school is authorised to return my child to school or home at my expense if the school considers that circumstances warrant such action. I permit my child to travel by private car, driven by a staff member or parent, in an emergency. Parents/carers are responsible for ambulance costs outside the ACT.

The **Medical Information and Consent Form** is required to be completed annually, at the start of the school year, and prior to the first excursion. Please update and inform the school of any changes in your child's medical details as they occur.
Are there any changes since you last completed the Medical Information and Consent form?
☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
*If yes, an updated **Medical Information and Consent Form** is required to be completed (available through the front office).*
Will your child require medication to be administered during the excursion (e.g. allergy medication, pain relief)?
☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
*If yes, please complete a **Medication Authorisation and Administration Record** (available through the front office).*
Is there any additional information you need to provide to support your child's participation in this excursion?
☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
If yes, please provide these details

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Name of Parent/Carer: (please print) _____
Signature: _____ Date:_____

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Payment Slip
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I am paying the amount of $_____ Student Name: _____

Payment options:

☐ via **Parent Portal**
☐ **Cash or EFTPOS** at the school office

If you fill in this form, your personal information and that of your child will be collected and handled by the ACT Education Directorate (the Directorate). We need this information to manage student participation in excursions and support your child's welfare and safety. If you do not consent to provide this information, your child will be unable to participate in the excursion. Normally, we will not use or disclose this information for another purpose without your consent, unless you would reasonably expect us to use or disclose the information for a related purpose. Normally, we only share information with school staff and, where necessary, parents or volunteers assisting with the excursion to appropriately and effectively manage the excursion. The Directorate has a privacy policy that explains how we handle personal information, including how we handle privacy complaints. The policy is available on the Directorate's website (**education.act.gov.au**) on the About Us page.

The school has made every effort to keep costs for this event at a reasonable level. The school requests parents and carers to make a voluntary financial contribution towards meeting the cost of your child's participation in this event. We have a student support and school equity fund, which can be used to provide financial assistance for students where parents are unable to make the requested contribution. If, however, there is insufficient total funding available to meet the cost of the program/camp/excursion, regrettably we may not be able to proceed. Please contact the Business Manager or Principal if you would like financial assistance for your child/children.

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